

PASSENGER AGENTS.

The Forty-ninth Meeting Will Be Held at Old Point.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9.—The forty-ninth annual meeting of the American Association of General Passenger and Ticket Agents will be held at Old Point Comfort, Va., on October 18, 19 and 20. An attendance of between 400 and 500, embracing representatives from the entire North American continent, is expected. Secretary Paul Morton, of the Navy Department, who is an honorary member of the association, having been formerly a general passenger agent, has accepted an invitation to attend a banquet to be given by the association. Among other guests will be Governor Montague, of Virginia, and General Fitzhugh Lee. The addresses at the banquet will be made by the Secretary of the Navy, the Governor of Virginia and General Fitzhugh Lee. The last named will present a gavel from the Jamestown Oak. S. H. Hardwick, passenger traffic manager of the Southern Railway, also will speak as orator of the association.

Real Estate Transfers.

Eleanor C. Nuzum to Eugene B. Nuzum, property on Fifth avenue, Fairmont; consideration, \$500. J. C. Fleming and wife to Lee B. Boyers, property on Benoni avenue, Fairmont; consideration, 1,000.

Aubrey Meredith has entered Rock Hill College, Maryland.

Charles A. Reed, of Rhea Terrace, is quite sick again with heart trouble.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hartman leave this evening for a few days in Philadelphia.

Dr. L. G. Ice is thought to be taking typhoid fever. He has been quite sick for several days.

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WOMEN AT WORK

MUCH INTEREST IS BEING TAKEN IN THE MEETING OF W. C. T. U. CONVENTION IN FIRST WARD.

The county convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union opened yesterday morning in the First Ward Diamond Street M. E. Church. The convention opened with a meeting of the executive committee at 10:30 o'clock. Business important to the union was transacted, such as the appointing of the several committees and the regular routine work was disposed of. At noon adjournment was taken until 1:30 p. m., when the delegates all met in session with Mrs. Stewart, the county president, in the chair. The opening devotional exercises, led by Mrs. Sarah Lloyd, of Fairmont, were followed by music by the choir, and after that an address of welcome was delivered by Mrs. C. E. Harden, of the First ward. Mrs. O. D. King was to have delivered this address, but owing to her husband's illness was prevented from being present at the convention, but a letter of cordial greeting, expressing regret at her enforced absence, was read from Mrs. King. The address of welcome was responded to by Mrs. Mary Hennen and Miss Dora Arnett. An interesting letter from Mrs. M. L. Sheets, of Tacoma, Ohio, former county president, was then read and was listened to with the closest attention. Mrs. Sheets was an indefatigable worker and her removal from the State has occasioned a great deal of regret. The roll was then called and the following unions were represented by the following named delegates:

Amos—Mesdames Musgrave, Toothman and Chalfant.
Broomfield—No delegate.
Farmington—Mrs. Carpenter.
Mannington—Mrs. Powell.
Monongah—No delegate.
First Ward—Mesdames Slaughter, Jones, Cunningham, Helmick, Harden, Dunham, Lavelle, Cordray and Misses Lambert and Gordon.
Worthington—Mrs. Hinerman.

Fairmont Central Union—Mesdames Lloyd, Carroll, Jamison, King, Merrifield, Crowl, Hess, Henry, Shurtleff, Crowe, Crowl, Manley and Pitzer. The report of the corresponding secretary, Mrs. Pickering, was then read, and Miss Dora Arnett followed with the treasurer's report. Both reports showed excellent work done, the treasurer's showing that almost \$500 were raised during the year for county work. Owing to the absence of the State President, Mrs. N. R. C. Morrow, her paper and discussion on department work was necessarily omitted.

The superintendents' hour followed and those present made excellent reports of the work accomplished. Mrs. Pickering read those of the absent members, and every member present felt highly elated over the good work done.

The election of officers followed. Miss Adelia S. Stewart, of Amos, was re-elected president.

Mrs. Blanche Pickering, Fairmont, corresponding secretary.

Mrs. Norah King, Fairmont, recording secretary.

Miss Dora B. Arnett, Fairmont, treasurer.

L. T. L. secretary, Mrs. Rachael Cummings, Broomfield.

The county vice-presidents, who are also local presidents, were all re-elected and are as given below:

Mrs. N. R. C. Morrow, Central Union, Fairmont.

Mrs. Florence Gray, Palatine Union, First ward, Fairmont, W. Va.

Mrs. Etta J. Dohoney, Mannington, W. Va.

Mrs. Belle Enoch, Broomfield, W. Va.

Mrs. Eva Trach, Farmington, W. Va.

Mrs. Minnie B. Ireland, Worthington, W. Va.

Mrs. Jennie Engle, Monongah, W. Va.

Mrs. Carl D. Vost, Amos, W. Va.

The following superintendents were then named:

Scientific temperance instruction, Miss Belle Wilderman, Fairmont;

medial contests, Mrs. Mary Hennen, Fairmont; mother's meetings, Mrs. Olive Barnes, Fairmont; non-alcoholic medication, Mrs. Carpenter, Farmington; press, Mrs. M. Powell, Fairmont; parliamentary usage, Mrs. N. R. C. Morrow, Fairmont; social meetings and red letter days, Mrs. Livia Stillings, Broomfield; Sunday school, Miss Alice Ireland, Worthington; literature, Mrs. Hattie Scott, Mannington; franchise, Mrs. Ella Jenks, Mannington; railroad, Mrs. Curt Fleming, Fairmont; legislation and partition, Mrs. F. P. Parks, Fairmont; foreign-speaking people, Mrs. Priscilla Merrifield, Fairmont; flower mission, Mrs. Anna Carroll.

The ratification of the county delegates to the State convention was then made, the twenty-eight delegates all being approved and Mrs. Belle Helmick, of the First ward, being named by the convention as delegate-at-large. The convention then adjourned for

supper, and at 7 o'clock the executive committee met and concluded all unfinished business. At 7:30 the convention met again and at 8 o'clock made a final adjournment. Two days' work was crowded in one and the more unimportant business on the programme was omitted because of the serious illness of the president's brother and her inability to preside longer over the meeting.

At 8 o'clock the grand gold medal contest was held and, considering the inclement weather, a very fair sized audience was present. Only two contestants appeared, and, owing to the absence of several of the soloists, the programme was cut rather short. However, the choir furnished very pretty music and the reading by Miss Elizabeth Wallace was much enjoyed. The contestants were Mr. Ulan McCune, of Broomfield, and Miss Louise Hess, of Moundsville, the latter carrying off the honors of the evening. The judges were Rev. Corder, of Davis; Mr. Chas. Stewart, of Amos, and Mrs. Mary Hennen, of this city. Rev. Corder presented the medal and made a graceful little speech, complimenting both participants.

The meeting of the convention was considered a most successful one throughout, although it had to be abbreviated to some extent and the visitors entertained by the First ward ladies wax enthusiastic over the kindly treatment accorded them. The dinner and supper given in the church yesterday were feasts fit for royalty, and the gathering throughout was in every way harmonious and enjoyable.

Put on the Brake.

I saw one day on the brow of a hill,
A boy with a big heavy load;
He pulled on the lines with a firm strong hand.

As he struck the decline in the road,
The wagon was new, the harness was strong.
But the horses, though good, were small;

The heavy load forced them into a trot,
And I trembled for fear they would fall.

I knew if they fell the boy would be hurt,
I felt that his life was at stake;
I shouted above the noise of the wheels,

"Say, little boy, put on the brake."
He grasped the lines with his small left hand.

The brake lever seized with his right,
He knelt on his knees and with a strong push,
He set on the brake good and tight;

Then he reigned the horses back into a walk
And could easily guide them at will.
And, safe and sound, and without a mishap,

Was soon at the foot of the hill.
As he stopped to loosen the brake, I said,
"A lesson from this you should take,

Many a wasted life might have been saved
Had they, in time, put on the brake."

Now there is the boy who smokes cigarettes,
At first it was done on the sly;
He's easily muddled at task and play.

For his brain is injured thereby,
His brother in folly, the tipping lad,
At first had an intellect clear;

He's clouding it over day after day,
For those boys I tremble with fear,
Whenever I see one indulging I say,

"He's struck the decline—no mistake."
And I call aloud to him as he hastens along,
"Say, little boy, put on the brake."

There is a girl who is thoughtless and vain,
She's sowing wild oats it appears;
As she's sowing to-day with laughter and song

She will reap to-morrow with tears,
She never will soil her lily white hands
To aid mother in her household cares;

She knows more than her mother, she thinks,
And heeds not her counsel and prayers.
I know, as sure as night follows day,

A wreck of her life she will make,
And I shout, while yet it is easy to stop,
"Say, little girl, put on the brake."

There is a man who frequents the saloon
Untruthful, dishonest, profane,
Who seeks rude companions, squanders his time,

And cares not if he gives others pain.
What to him are tears of mother and wife,
Or sobs of his own little child?

His conscience is seared, his soul has died out,
He plunges down reckless and wild.
But the road ends at the foot of the hill,

And below is the brimstone lake,
I shout while yet he has time to reform,
"Say, my dear friend, put on the brake."

—American Nation.

AT THE LOCAL PLAY HOUSE.

"A CHINESE HONEYMOON."

The attraction coming to the Grand Opera House on Monday night is the much-talked-of musical success, "A Chinese Honeymoon." The American rights for this merry jingle of Oriental comedy are controlled by Sam S. Shubert, and among the many musical comedies produced in recent years

none has earned greater popularity nor more fully deserved it. Its superior merit in book, music and mounting was so manifest when it was staged in London nearly three years ago that it started on a career of prosperity there which has not ended yet. It was received with equal favor when presented in the English provinces and



JOHN L. KEARNEY,
In "A Chinese Honeymoon."

the critical and popular verdicts passed upon it in New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Pittsburg, Washington and Detroit, and but recently in San Francisco, sustained the foreign opinions of its entertaining character. The hit which it made at the New York Casino eclipsed that of anything known to musical productions.

The cast includes John L. Kearney,

whose ability as a comedian makes him a valuable factor in any production in which he assists; Robinson Newbold, George Broderick, Joseph E. Miller, Misses Georgia Bryton, Mabella Baker, Regina McAvoy, Winnie Carter, Helen Latten and Evelyn Dunmore. From the emphatic hit this attraction, made here last season it is sure to be greeted by a crowded house this season.

WE ARE HAPPY ONE TIME MORE

Now we suppose that Morgantown will still claim the independent championship of the State. To be sure they have taken four out of the seven games played, but two of these were won at the beginning of the season, when the Morgantown team was composed of seasoned 'varsity players and our own men were not in shape. Yesterday we beat them with Groninger, their star pitcher, in the box, and if the umpiring was anything but perfect, the visitors were given the best of it; and that met with the approval of every one, as all wanted to win it on the square. The down river team has a reputation for kicking and squealing, but very little of this was done yesterday.

Of course, a few of the chronic soreheads beefed a few and "Posey" Groninger posed as injured innocence. The visiting team's methods explain the poor attendance encountered by them at Morgantown; they delay the game unnecessarily, taking two or three minutes to deliver the ball. The average time of a game in this city is one hour and twenty-five minutes, whereas the game yesterday consumed two hours, with a tight score.

Wharton's catching was the pre-eminent feature. He made circus catches of foul flies, dug low ones out of the dust and pulled several wild pitches out of the sky. The passed ball charged to him was a low pitch that struck the corner of the plate and landed on the thumb of his mitt, a runner going to second on the accident. Several knowing ones who see Central League games often claim that Wharton is a better backstop than that organization can boast of, but it is more than likely that sufficient inducements will be offered to insure his return to this city next year.

While the preponderance of errors are credited to our own, they were practically harmless, and all were rather stiff chances. Morgantown started off with a rush, scoring one in the first inning. Groninger started it by working Martin for a pass. Bowman struck out, but Laing singled to right and on Fleming's fumble and loafing, Groninger took third and Laing started for second. Then the double steal was worked successfully, Groninger scoring on McDonald's low throw to the plate.

Not until the fourth could the locals

tie it up, and that was on account of Bowman's inexcusable error. Wharton grounded to Core, but Bowman dropped his throw and the catcher trotted to second and took third on a wild pitch. Fisher flew to Laing and Bryson looked so formidable that he was allowed to walk. "Ginger" Douglass slyly sacrificed, Groninger to Bowman and Wharton scored by a nose.

In the fifth "we" took the lead by scoring another. McDonald led off with a single past second and was sacrificed to second by Fleming. Martin clouted a beauty to left for one base and McDonald scored.

The sixth was the one in which the game was cinched. Wharton was walked, but Fisher forced him at second, stealing that bag himself, a moment later, Bryson singled past second and Fisher did a Lou Dillon stunt to the plate. Bryson went to second on the throw home. Douglas popped a little one to Moffatt, but it was muffed and Bryson hiked for third. The throw was low and the big fellow scored, while "Ginger" was doing his awful-est for third, which he captured with a magnificent slide. Gibbs was passed to first, Groninger preferring to take a chance on McDonald. Gibbs drew a low to second on his steal and Douglas counted, McDonald lined to Cole and Fleming struck out, and scoring, so far as "we" were concerned, was over.

The visitors, with the accent on Groninger, made a desperate attempt to win in the ninth. Cowan sent one to Douglas, but its bad bound and "Ginger's" inability to loop the loop made a hit. Martin made a deliberate balk, Cowan to second. Cole and Moffatt both struck out. Groninger came up amid the taunts and jeers of the crowd and promised to do his part. He smashed a terrific triple to left, scoring Cowan. Bowman fouled one, which Wharton got right under the grandstand, and the crowd went home happy.

All Frostburg will be here Sunday to witness the game between their pets and the pride of Fairmont. One man, who came from the Maryland town last night, said that indications were that a native couldn't be dug up with a steam shovel in town that Sunday, as every one was coming to Fairmont. A brass band will accompany them. Game called at 3 o'clock.

MORGANTOWN.

	A.	B.	R.	H.	P.	O.	A.	E.
Groninger, p.	3	1	1	1	3	0		
Bowman, lb.	5	0	0	11	0	1		
Laing, l. f.	4	0	2	1	0	0		
Core, ss.	4	0	0	1	3	1		
Burner, c.	4	0	1	5	2	1		
Printz, r. f.	4	0	0	0	0	0		
Cowan, 3b.	4	1	1	0	0	0		
Cole, m. f.	4	0	2	3	0	0		
Moffatt, 2b.	4	0	1	2	3	1		

Totals 36 2 8 24 13 4
FAIRMONT.

	A.	B.	R.	H.	P.	O.	A.	E.
Bero, 3b.	4	0	0	3	1	0		
Wharton, c.	3	1	1	8	0	0		
Fisher, m. f.	3	1	0	1	1	0		
Bryson, lb.	3	1	1	8	1	1		
Douglass, 2b.	2	1	1	1	4	2		
Gibbs, l. f.	3	0	0	1	0	0		
McDonald, ss.	4	1	1	4	4	2		
Fleming, r. f.	2	0	0	1	0	0		
Martin, p.	3	0	1	0	0	0		

Totals 27 5 5 27 11 5
Innings 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
Morgantown 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1—2
Fairmont 0 0 0 1 3 0 0 x—5

Summary—Earned runs, Morgantown 1, Fairmont 2; stolen base, Fisher; three-base hit, Groninger; double play, Fisher to McDonald; struck out by Groninger 6 (Bryson 2, Douglass, Fisher, Fleming and Martin), by Martin 5 (Bowman 2, Core, Cole and Moffatt); bases on balls, off Groninger 5 (Wharton, Fisher, Bryson, Douglass and Gibbs), off Martin 2 (Groninger); wild pitch, Groninger; passed ball, Wharton; sacrifice hits, Douglass, Fleming. Time of game, 2 hours. Attendance, 150. Umpire, Helm.

A Complex Question.

Where will the negro interests come out with the Democratic party after forty years' standing? The Republican party stands for human rights and justice. There are four parties in the field. The great political war is being waged by two of them.

The Democratic party does not and never did invite the support of the negro voter. But it lacks the courage to say so. When a little dissatisfaction gets among them, the Democratic party has appealed to the negro for support. But they have not been able to hold any picture to him. Nothing in that party has been done for his race. Nor are they able to hold out to him any promises for his future good.

I ask you again, where are the negro interests coming out with the Democratic party? The candidate of this party for the Vice Presidency has very pronounced views on the white supremacy and negro inferiority, outlawing the negro and declaring for his complete subjugation and subordination.

After four years of bloodshed for right, and 42 years of getting in shape to know that prejudice is so deeply rooted in men, and the party, is why they have no fitness to run the government.

This position is puerile—yea more—it is cowardly and unworthy of so great a party. But how can we expect any more than blindness when such men are its leaders as Vardaman, Gorman, Tillman and Graves?

Vardaman is the great Democrat who seconded the nomination at St. Louis of Alton B. Parker. Can any thinking man, white or black, stand on such a narrow plank.

The negro will not and should not support any political party opposed to his manhood rights. Negroes, resist with your ballot every encroachment made on your color; your right to honest toil; to accumulate; to educate and to employ all the rights that are afforded any other living being.

The Democratic party has for the last sixty years been fighting to get power; they have used and exhausted all other powers, till at last the negro's highest ambition is to bestride so effectively that the necks of eight millions of freedmen of the race are forever to be crushed out.

I had made up my mind to keep from saying anything in this line years ago, but I see the cloud coming and must warn my brethren.

This question confronts the negro in the coming election and there is no time for advising the negro to keep out of politics. Therefore I am impelled by conscience to tell my brethren to vote for that party that endeavors to do justice by all men, regardless of race or color.

The Democratic party to me has never shown ability to rise above sectionalism and race hatred, and deal with our complex civilization from the standpoint of statesmen. The duty of the patriot is clear. He must cast his ballot in November for the best interests of the whole people, and that is with the party of Lincoln.

REV. JAS. W. LA VATT, D. D., Pastor Monroe street M. E. Church, Colored, Fairmont, W. Va.

Suits Entered.

George C. Sturgis, etc., has entered suit in chancery in the Circuit Court against R. T. Cunningham, administrator, etc. Attorney Corbin represents the plaintiff.

Charles Berns has entered suit in chancery in the Intermediate Court against A. E. Shaw. Attorney W. B. Cornwell represents the plaintiff.

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